

THE MARGARET EATON SCHOOL ALUMNAE LETTER

May 15, 1952

Dear M.E.S. Grads:

Another year, another Spring and here comes the good old M.E.S. Alumnae to say: "Hello".

A quarter of a hundred strong, we drank tea and chatted at our annual May "do" yesterday at the University Women's Club.

President Bette Marshall welcomed us all and we rolled out the red carpet for Mary G. H. smilton, Charlotte Layton, Adelaide Marriott, Eleanor Keyes Kay, our past president, and Bea Brammall, Peggy Burnett, Anne Thompson, Adriane Lea, Theo Day, Lucille Jacob, Mary Barker, Fran White, Dot Connacher, Joyce Bertram, June Kennedy Labbett, Barbara Jones, Helen Parsons, Gladys Baker, May Barclay, Audrey Jeffery, Irma Moyer Manning and Helen Ricker.

We were sorry to be saying good-bye to Bette Marshall, but delighted to wish her every happiness for the future as Mrs. Armand Lareau of Haverhill, Mass.

In case you are interested, the M.E.S. Alumnae have established the procedure that the Executive remains in office until each finds a successor. Orchids to Bette Marshall for securing as our stalwart new President none other than -

Helen Ricker - Class of 37

Helen is teaching both Physical Education and Science at Humberstone Collegiate in Toronto.

Another special feature of this association is the fact that fees are no longer collected. Bea Brammall reports a bank balance of \$35.00. When we need petty cash, Helen Ricker will do something about it! The cost of the News Letter is our greatest expense each year, and that is covered by the University, School of Physical and Health Education.

As you will remember, our Bursary Fund is our financial 'Jack Pot'. It has now reached the grand total of \$400.00. Last year, no bursaries were awarded, as there was no camp course. We feel that you would not want another year to pass without using a part of the money, so that we suggest the following:

1. That if in 1952-53 no camp course is conducted, Bursaries be provided to cover some special need of a woman student in the School of Physical and Health Education.
2. That the maximum amount of money given next year be \$50.00.

While drawing up this joint letter, Helen and I had an idea for May, 1953. How about celebrating with an M.E.S. re-union and all meeting on a Saturday night at 'Spring Thaw'? Dora Mavor Moore and the New Play Society like the idea and, incidentally, if you haven't seen the 1952 'Spring Thaw', you have missed the laugh of the year. It is better, faster, funnier than ever.

A vote of thanks to our secretary, Barbara Jones, and Treasurer, Bea Brammall for their good work and all the best from all of us to all of you.

Sincerely,

Signed: Helen Parsons  
Dot Jackson

University Women's Club,  
May 14th, 1952

M.E.S. ALUMNAE EXECUTIVE  
1952-53

President	Helen Ricker
Secretary	Barbara Jones
Treasurer	Bea Goad Brammall
Chairman, Bursary Committee	Helen Parsons
Alumnae News Letter	Dot Jackson

### More News from the Tea

While holidaying in Florida, Mary G. Hamilton had a fine time with Marjorie Silverthorne LeDrew and her grown up family.

Elizabeth Wardley Raymer and Dot Jackson will be at Tanamakoon this summer helping for a fortnight each with the C.I.T.s.

We were sorry to hear of the illness of Lois Heaton and send her many thoughts.

Margaret Breed (Mrs. Macpherson) from Oregon is visiting her sister in Leamington following a conference of the Camp Fire Girls in New York.

Marg Dunning Farr, at present with the Eaton Girls' Club, leaves for Ottawa, July 1st to take up a new position as Assistant to the Commissioner in the Department of Public Recreation.

Gladys Baker is to be in charge of Shadow Lake Camp for the Eaton Girls' Club this summer. In the fall, she will return to her position as Secretary at Bruce and Morris St. School.

We have heard from Ann Bartlett that Kay Cumming Roberts is seriously ill. Kay has been at the Halifax Y. W. C. A. She has two children, but is in the hospital at Kempville. We are sorry to hear this and hope that you are on the mend, Kay. Kay's home address is: 99 Le Marchant Street, Halifax, N. S.

Helen Tremayne sent regrets at not being able to come to the tea. She is with the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, and is looking for a small place outside the city.

You are invited to send in news at any time, but particularly for our Annual May letter. A post card or note to any member of the Executive, or Dot Jackson, at 415 Yonge Street, would be most welcome.

### A LETTER FROM CHARLOTTE LAYTON

7 Tullis Drive,  
Toronto 12, Ont.,  
May 8, 1952.

Dear Dorothy:

As the time is drawing near for your M.E.S. Bulletin, I should like to send along a contribution to it. Some news came from the daily papers, some from letters.

#### Births:

To Mr. and Mrs. Grant L. Puttock (Margaret Allin) of Longlac, Ont., on October 31, 1951, a son.

To Dr. and Mrs. Norman L. Hillary (Joan Brown) of Aurora, on June 12, 1951, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. John S. Robinsen (Diana Cameron) on December 27, 1951, a son, Duncan Cameron.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Christie (Jane Ferguson) on November 15, 1951, a son, James Alexander.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kay (Eleanor Keyes) on October 25, 1951, a daughter, Dorothy Ann.

To Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Burnet (Margaret Pringle) on July 29, 1951, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sanders (Batty Sterne) of St. Thomas, on October 21, 1951, a daughter.

#### New Items:

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Elliott (Mary Adams) and three sons, Hughie, Teddy and Graham, are living in Bala.

Evelyn Bale is on the physical education staff of the Halifax schools.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Palmer (Louise Burns), Hugh, Ian, Roy and Hilary, live at Burton Joyce, Notts, England.

Phyllis Gale Morgan writes that her husband, Captain David Morgan, has been in Egypt for the most part ever since last November. Phyllis and her little girl, Shan, were sailing about the middle of April for Montreal, where they expect to spend a couple of months with Phyllis' parents.

Laure Graham Chauvin who with Mr. Chauvin lives in New Orleans, is teaching at the Newman High School and at the same time is studying for her degree at Loyola University.

Lucille Kirk Hanson had a trip to California last year and while there saw Phyllis White Fraser, her husband and little girl. Lucille says "Phyllis looks wonderful - not a day older than when we were at school." Phyllis' husband is in the army and has been in Korea. Lucille's children are growing up fast, Bert 11, Wendy 9, Margot  $7\frac{1}{2}$  and Sandra  $5\frac{1}{2}$ .

Winn MacLellan Johnston and her family are living in Trenton where Wing Commander Johnston is stationed.

A nice note from Norah Magnan Duly tells how the children are growing up. She says, "The children are very fit - None Rae is taller than I am and going to her first dance! And Bryan is busy with his riding lessons. Our early rains have been marvellous, so we're hoping they'll continue and break our 4-year drought. My time is very full - Red Cross work, driving an ambulance taking crippled children for treatment, Rotary Anns, etc. It's amazing how the days fly, but I often think of my old M.E.S. friends."

Flora Musgrave had a trip east last fall. She and a friend came to Connecticut, then motored to Texas, left their car and flew to Mexico, Guatemala and Yucatan. "All very interesting and different, but somewhat strenuous".

Joyce O'Neill Tate writes very happily from her home in England and is kept busy by her young and lively daughter, Daphne.

Flora Secord Davidson writes that for the past few years, she has been chairman of the Health Education Committee at the Montreal Y.W.C.A., while Dorte Glahn Carmie has been the director of the department. Flora has three children, a son and two daughters.

A note from Pauline Seller Hill at Christmas time tells of seeing Evelyn Tindale in Regina in November. She says Evelyn is in Alberta now.

Dorothy Walker is still enjoying her work in Nova Scotia with the provincial department of physical education and sometimes sees former M.E.S. folk, among them Alcy MacDougall Palmer and Roberta Hill Elkin.

Leila Worthy has been having a wonderful time in England and on the Continent, and says she feels 20 years younger! She spent 3 months in Holland, Switzerland and France and the rest of her first year abroad in England. This year she hopes to see Italy.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams, formerly of the Building staff at 415 Yonge Street, seem to be enjoying life in England very much. They are both well and Mr. Williams has agreeable work.

I wish you would tell the girls how much I am enjoying my radio-record player. Everyone remarks on its beautiful tone. I still think that they couldn't have chosen a nicer looking one for our living room.

I'll be seeing you.

Sincerely,

Signed: Charlotte Layton

We regret to announce the following deaths:

Mrs. John A. Claxton, mother of Barbara (Mrs. J. W. Fisher) on December 12, 1951 at Toronto.

Austin N. Fellowes, father of Joan (Mrs. Harold Pettit) on May 28, 1951 at Friars Hatch, Burley, England.

William Michael Garner, son of Jean Taylor (Mrs. Wm. Garner) on November 22, 1951 at Toronto.

Mr. R. B. MacLennan, father of Winn MacLennan, died last fall.

Mrs. Harry B. O'Neill, mother of Dorothy (Mrs. Delmer Earle) on June 3, 1951, at Toronto.

Mrs. Charles S. Parsons, mother of Helen, on April 3, 1952 at Toronto.

Harry E. Ricker, father of Helen Ricker, on January 16, 1952 at Toronto.

Mrs. William H. Sterne, mother of Patty (Mrs. E. F. S. Sanders) on August 17, 1951, at Edmonton.

John Thomson, father of Anne (Mrs. L. A. Roper) on January 13, 1952 at Queenston, Ont.

James Bertram Walker, husband of Jane Bell, on March 22, 1952 at Guelph.

Florence Walton (Mrs. Frederick Marlow) as the result of a motor accident on January 19, 1952. Mrs. Marlow was a graduate of The Margaret Eaton School in its first graduating class.

A note from Isabel Callan Macdonald -  
R. R. #3, Streetsville, Ont,

I'm hoping last week was not typical of the future: Monday night, a meeting of the Neighbourhood Planning Committee (to which my husband and I belong), which is helping to set up a zoning plan for Toronto Township. Tuesday night, a meeting of my Arts and Crafts Committee for the Streetsville Fair (of which I'm a director), Wednesday night, a Parents' Meeting at the school - to go to which I had to miss the Fair Board meeting and the regular meeting of the Music Club. Thursday night, a meeting of the Ward & Ratepayers' Association (of which my husband and I are directors). I forgot to mention the Tuesday meeting meant I had to cancel the regular Pottery group meeting which is held each week at my house?

None of it takes up as much time as it sounds. I can still do the housework and feed my husband and two boys, Ken and Doug, help with cutting the grass and weeding the garden, as well as go for a paddle in the boat Ken made last summer.

#### A WOMEN'S BUILDING

##### Progress Report from Zerada Slack

Thirty years ago, women students and graduates of the University of Toronto began to dream of a women's building, convenient, properly equipped, adequate for their activities. About the same time, I understand, an M. E. S. Memorial Building was a current topic.

Such a dream seems to be coming true. The University has granted the use of the present building known as Wymilwood to the women to become the nucleus of a women's athletic building. The firm of Fleury & Arthur, Architects, are now engaged in drawing up plans for such a building. At present, the plan consists of using the present building as common rooms, lecture rooms, library and offices, with an addition at the rear, of a large gymnasium, swimming pool and locker room.

The commemoration of M.E.S. in the form of the Margaret Eaton Memorial Library, a gift of the T. Eaton Company, can become a reality when a suitable building is provided by the University. We hope that the M.E.S. Alumnae will soon be able to celebrate this unique event.

In 1953, P. H. E. will celebrate the tenth anniversary of its first graduating class. We hope we can mark this occasion by, at least, breaking the ground.

May we suggest that -

M. E. S. is not forgotten

The present Physical Education students are interested in the alumnae and as a result of the Bursaries, are planning to develop a P.H.E. Bursary Fund.

The M.E.S. Alumnae is something special, so let's sing again:

Stand up and cheer for old M. E. S.,  
Rally ye daughters from East and West,  
We will make the rafters ring  
As with her praise, we shout and sing.  
Steadfast and faithful, we'll ever be  
Pledging our love and our loyalty,  
To bring her fame, we'll do our best,  
All honour to M. E. S.

Dorothy N. R. Jackson, Editor

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